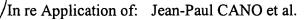


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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO **OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 11, 2002**

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time for three (3) month(s) to and including April 11, 2003, in which to respond to the Office Action dated October 11, 2002.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17, a check in the amount of \$930.00 is enclosed, which is the fee for a three (3) month(s) extension of time.

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